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1. BELGIAN MINISTER OF FINANCE DE CLERCQ HAS REPLIED TO BOTH SECRETARY SOMON'S LETTER (REF A) AND UNDER SECRETARY BENNETT'S LETTER (REFS B AND C).

2. MR. DE CLERCQ'S LETTER TO SECRETARY SIMON SAYS,

QUOTE: THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR LETTER OF SEPTEMBER 3 CONCERNING THE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. I AM GLAD TO SEE THAT A CONSENSUS HAS DEVELOPED IN RECENT WEEKS ON THE STATUS ORGANIZATION AND MANDATE OF THIS GROUP. YOUR INITIATIVES IN THIS AREA PLAYED CERTAINLY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE CREATION OF THIS COMMITTEE. I LOOK VERY MUCH FORWARD TO WORK WITH YOU IN THIS NEW FRAMEWORK AND HOPE THAT POSITIVE RESULTS WILL BE REACHED. SINCERELY YOURS, WILLY DE CLERCQ, MINISTER OF FINANCE. END QUOTE.

3. MR. DE CLERCQ'S LETTER TO UNDER SECRETARY BENNETT SAYS, QUOTE: THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR LETTER OF SEPTEMBER 3 CONCERNING THE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. I UNDERSTAND THAT THE INFORMAL MEETING ON THIS MATTER WHICH WAS HELD ON AUGUST 13 UNDER YOUR CHAIRMANSHIP, WAS PARTICULARLY USEFUL. I AM VERY PLEASED TO SEE THAT A CONSENSUS HAS DEVELOPED

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IN RECENT WEEKS ON THE VARIOUS ASPECTS OF THE DEVELOPMENT

COMMITTEE. I HAVE ASKED MY ADVISER ON INTERNATIONAL MATTERS,
MR. VAN YEPERSELE, TO ATTEND THE INFORMAL DEPUTIES MEETING ON
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29. THE NAME OF THE OTHER PARTICIPANT FROM
OUR CONSTITUENCY TO THIS MEETING WILL BE FORWARDED TO YOU
LATER. SINCERELY YOURS, WILLY DE CLERCQ, MINISTER OF FINANCE.
END QUOTE.
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